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SUBJECT: EXCEPTIONS REQUEST TO PERFORM TOLL ENRICHMENT
SERVICES IN THE USSR - AEL 1

THE USDEL IS REQUESTED TO PROPOSE THE EXPORT TO THE USSR OF
THE FOLLOWING MATERIAL WHICH IS EMBARGOED UNDER AEL 1:

US AUTHORITIES HAVE RECEIVED TWO (2) APPLICATIONS FROM THE
GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY SEEKING US GOVERNMENT AUTHORIZA-
TION TO EXPORT QUANTITIES OF NATURAL URANIUM TO THE USSR
FOR TOLL ENRICHMENT PURPOSES. ONE APPLICATION IS FOR
APPROXIMATELY 120,000 KILOGRAMS OF SEPARATIVE WORK TOTALLING
APPROXIMATELY 4 MILLION DOLS IN VALUE. THE SECOND APPLICA-
TION IS FOR 3 1/2 MILLION KILOGRAMS OF SEPARATIVE WORK
TOTALLING APPROXIMATELY 126 MILLION DOLS IN VALUE. GEN-
ERAL ELECTRIC PROPOSES TO SUPPLY THE NATURAL URANIUM FEED
MATERIAL TO THE USSR FOR TOLL ENRICHMENT AND TO REMOVE ALL
THE DEPLETED URANIUM (TAILS) RESULTING FROM THESE TRANS-
ACTIONS FROM THE USSR AND THE BLOC AT THE SPECIFIED TAILS
ASSAY (APPROXIMATELY 0.3 PERCENT). THE ENRICHED URANIUM
WILL BE RETURNED TO THE US FOR FABRICATION INTO FUEL FOR
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USE IN A NUMBER OF NUCLEAR REACTORS LOCATED IN WESTERN COUN-

TRIES WHICH HAVE GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT AGREEMENTS WITH THE US AND SAFEGUARD AGREEMENTS WITH THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY.

SIMILAR REQUESTS FOR TOLL ENRICHMENT IN THE USSR HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED AND APPROVED IN THE PAST BY THE COMMITTEE.

THE FOREGOING REQUEST IS SUBMITTED UNDER THE GENERAL EXCEPTIONS PROCEDURES AS SET FORTH IN COCOM DOC REG(73)1. KISSINGER

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